



AGENDA

ORANGE COUNTY PARKS COMMISSION

THURSDAY, MAY 7, 2026, 6:00 p.m.

IRVINE RANCH HISTORIC PARK
OC Parks Headquarters
13042 Old Myford Road
Irvine, CA

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Fourth District



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Coastal Cities

Executive Officer
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The Orange County Parks Commission welcomes you to this meeting. This agenda contains a brief general description of each item to be considered. The Commission shall not hold a meeting unless the number of members participating constitutes a quorum of the Commission. The Commission encourages your participation and welcomes public comments on items under the purview of the Commission. If you wish to speak on a matter that does not appear on the agenda, you may do so during the Public Participation period at the beginning of the meeting. Except as otherwise provided by law, no action shall be taken on any item not appearing on the agenda. When addressing the Commission, please state your name for the record prior to providing your comments. Speakers may be limited to three (3) minutes. Public speaker request forms will be available onsite.

The OC Parks Commission meeting will be an in-person meeting held at the Mess Hall at OC Parks' Headquarters (13042 Old Myford Road, Irvine, CA 92602).

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OC COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Orange County Parks Commission Duties and Responsibilities

(O.C. Codified Ordinances Sec. 2-2-19: Paraphrased)

Except as otherwise provided, the Orange County Parks Commission shall be advisory to the Board of Supervisors and to the Director of OC Parks, and shall have the power and duty:

1. To recommend to the Board of Supervisors plans and policies for the acquisition, development, maintenance and operation of the harbors, beaches and regional parks of the County;
2. On request of the Board of Supervisors, to advise the Board and make recommendations on any matter pertaining to harbors, beaches and regional parks, and any other matters referred by the Board;
3. On request of the Director, to advise on any question of administrative policy and regarding any matter to be decided by the Director under this division;
4. On appeal from an administrative decision by the Director, to act as a board of administrative review;
5. To make such investigations as it may deem necessary in the exercise of its powers;
6. To perform the duties and functions of the County Fish and Game Commission assigned by either statute or this code, and consider methods for the propagation and protection of fish and game in the State of California and County of Orange. The Commission shall be advisory body to the Board of Supervisors.

OC Parks Commission Regular Meeting Schedule: First Thursday, Monthly, 6:00 p.m.

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I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

II. ROLL CALL

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

At this time, members of the public may address the Commission on items of public interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission and are not contained in tonight's agenda.

IV. CONSENT CALENDAR (ITEM(S) A–B)

The following item(s) on the consent calendar will be approved by one motion unless a Commissioner requests to pull a specific item.

A. APPROVE COMMISSION MINUTES FOR THE MARCH 5, 2026 MEETING

B. APPROVE COMMISSION MINUTES FOR THE APRIL 10, 2026 FIELD TRIP

V. DISCUSSION CALENDAR (ITEM(S) A–C)

A. ELECTRIC BICYCLE IMPACT STUDY DESIGN CONSULTANT PRESENTATION

OC Parks staff have been exploring the feasibility of allowing Class I electric bicycles on unpaved, natural surface trails in OC Parks facilities and have been advised that a study will be needed to provide additional information to regulatory agencies to determine whether or not this use is allowable and consistent with relevant conservation plans. Staff will summarize work to date and seek Commission's recommendation on how to proceed.

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

OC Parks Commission to select and recommend one of the following actions:

1. The OC Parks Commission recommends OC Parks staff proceed with hiring a consultant to develop a study design framework to investigate and assess environmental impacts of allowing Class I electric bicycles on unpaved, natural surface trails in OC Parks facilities,

OR

2. The OC Parks Commission recommends OC Parks staff not proceed at this time with hiring a consultant to develop a study design

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framework to investigate and assess environmental impacts of allowing Class I electric bicycles on unpaved, natural surface trails in OC Parks facilities.

B. SUMMER EVENTS PREVIEW PRESENTATION

Staff will provide a presentation on upcoming summer events.

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

Receive and file.

C. OC PARKS TRAILS SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING UPDATE

Staff will provide an update to the Commission regarding the April 9, 2026 OC Parks Trails Subcommittee meeting.

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

Receive and file.

VI. OC PARKS DIRECTOR'S REPORT (ITEM(S) A–B)

A. DEPARTMENT UPDATES

B. UPCOMING OC PARKS EVENTS

Mother's Day Concert in the Park – Saturday, May 9, 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.

- Supervisor Sarmiento from the Second District is hosting the first annual Mother's Day Concert in the Park. The event will take place at Haster Basin Recreational Park.

Run Wild 5K – Saturday, May 16, 7:15 – 11:00 a.m.

- On Saturday, May 16, Irvine Regional Park will host Orange County Parks Foundation's Run Wild 5K.
- The race route will be within the park paths and trails around the OC Zoo.
- A 1K running/walking route will also be offered for children, making the event fun for people of all ages.
- Opening ceremony begins at 7:15 a.m. with the event concluding at 11 a.m.

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Flutter, Buzz and Bloom! – Saturday, May 31, 10:00 – 3:00 p.m.

- OC Parks invites you to Flutter, Buzz and Bloom at Riley Wilderness Park! Join us for a fun-filled day discovering life in the garden while celebrating the wonderful pollinators that make this park their home! Activities will include educational partners and exhibitors, nature walks, themed crafts for children, live butterfly enclosure and release, and storytelling.

Galaxy Day – Saturday, June 6, 10:00 – 2:00 p.m.

- Join us in a zoo far, far away for Galaxy Day at the OC Zoo on Saturday, June 6! Intergalactic visitors will enjoy a variety of crafts, games, photo opportunities and more. Come see zoo animals receive special treats throughout the day as well as character and animal meet-and-greets! All visitors are encouraged to come in galaxy-themed attire/costume.

VII. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS AND REPORT

At this time Commissioners may comment on agenda or non-agenda matters, provided that no action may be taken on off-agenda items unless authorized by law.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT